RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 1905.

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Gentlemen,

# TOGO WILL NOT RISK BIG FIGHT

Will Harass the Russians With Torpedo Boats and Night Sallies.

### THREE WARSHIPS SEEN AT BATANGOS

United States Gunboat Sent to Investigate the Arrival of Unknown Steamers in Lingayen Bay - French Government Will Preserve Neutrality With Care.

(By Associated Press.)
MANILA, April 19.—Three war vesecis were sighted at Batangas at 4 o'clock this morning. Their nationality is unknown.

y is unknown steamers have annored in Lingayen Bay, island of
uzon, about 130 miles north of Malia Bay. Admiral Train, in comnand of the United States navel
orces here, has ordered the United
tates gunboat Quiros to Lingayen
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(By Associated Press.)
5T. PETERSBURG, April 18—8:20
P. M.—No nows from Admiral Ro-jectvensky was received by the ad-miralty to-day.

(By Associated Press.)
TOKIO, April 18.—The Navy Department declared to-day Tsugara Straits, a zone of defense, with the usual maritime restrictions.

Usual maritime restrictions.

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, April 18.—Berron Hayashi, the Japanese minister to Great Britain, expressed the opinion to the Associated Press to-day that Admiral Togo would not give battel to Admiral Rojestvensky with his entire squadron, but would continue the cautious factics which characterized his attacks on the Port Arthur squadron, not because he feared defeat, but owing to his desire to inflict the greatest amount of damage on the Russians with the least loss to jhimself. While confident of his ability to accomplish the total destruction of the Russian squadron in a big battle (there is the danger of Togo's losing one or two of his big ships. Therefore, Baron Hayashi believes Togo will employ his torpedo boat faction of the Russian warships. He said the coasts of Japan, Korea and Formora lend the marselves to night work with torpedo boats, while the narrow channeds will make the maneouvering of large warships difficult and dangerous.

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The latest news from the Far East shows that certainly a portion of the Russian second Pacific squadron was still coaling at Kamranh Bay Saturday morning. April 15th. This news was brought to Singapore by the British steamer Sui-Sang and to Hong-Kong by the French steamer Phu Yen. The former merely reports passing the Russian ships at II o'clock in the morning. The Phu Yen's officers saw twenty vessels coaling in the bay, and it is suspected that the remainder of the fact was inside the harbor. According to the Daily Mail's correspondent at Singapore, the Sui-Sang, which was not molested by the Russians, sighted a big French warship two hours inter fourteen miles to the southward, evidently proceeding to Kamranh.

The piece-meal character of the news excludes the possibility of any accurate estimate of the movements of Vice Admiral Rojestyensky's squadron, but it would seem to show that the vice admiral has divided his forces, a portion of which went northward before Saturday.

### FRENCH NEUTRALITY.

Government Taking Every Precaution to Secure Frope

caution to Secure Proper Observance of Rules.

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS. April 18, 3:05 P. M.—The French government has taken every precaution to secure the observance of neutrality in French waters in Indo-China. To this end instructions have been sent to M. Beau, governor-general of Indo-China, again culling his attention to the regulations concerning the observance of neutrality rules in force during the Spanish-American War. It is believed that Admiral De Jonquieres, commander of the French naval forces at Salgon, in proceeding to Kamranh Bay, where part of the Russian second Fucific squadron has been seen, is following the governor-general's instructions.

general's instructions.

The semi-official Temps this evening published a statement which bears evidence of authoritative inspiration, say-

Great Britain and some other countries limit the duration of a beligerent's stay in their ports to twenty-four hours, but France has never fixed a limit for the stay of beligerents in French ports, and contents herself with interdicting the use of her ports in preparations for acts

## POINTER ON THE WEATHER

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MINIATURE ALMANAC. 

# **HURLS CHARGE AT** EUUITABLE HEADS

New York Senator Arraigns Officers For 'Waste'' of Sums.

#### AGENTS MEET AND ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

Hyde Hissed, But Undismayed, Made Speech-Alexander and Tarbell Also Address Employes-Second Vice-President's Sharp Retort Calls Forth Cheers.

(By Associated Press.)

ALBANY, N. Y., April 18.-An all-day debate in the Senate, bristling with Equitable Life Assurance Society, brough

the form of a resolution, introduced by Senator Brackett, to take from the Inthis resolution and having it made a spe-The resolution was defeated by a vote of

#### Brackett's Charges. Speaking of the Equitable situation,

"It is now conceded by every

'real thing' that will be learned hereafter. The colossal sums that have been guthered persistently used to finance and progress the schemes of the officers whose duty it is to conserve them, rali-road schemes, industrial schemes, whiskey trust schemes—schemes which, if they fail, the loss is upon the company; if they succeed, the gain to the officers—these are the charges; these the things vociferously denied a fortnight since,

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# LINE BAILROAD

History of the Organization and Its Wonderful Development.

#### ORIGINAL STOCK EIGHTEEN FOR ONE

Mr. Walters, President, Controis Eleven Thousand Miles of Railroad and Nearly Five Hundred Millions of Securities of Eight Roads.

Railroad may be likened to a tale from us, and its advance has not only been phenomenal, but, unlike a majority of due to conservative management and its

has been "watered" many times over by year its securities have grown more and more valuable.

frauds to mark its advance, nor has there been prostitution of private or pub-

lic rights nor "wrecks" of allied corporations.

The progress of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad has been healthy and rational, and withal so quiet that but few-persons, even in the South Atlantic States, are familiar with its history.

The simple statement that its stock, which originally cost \$50 per share, has advanced steadily until that same share is worth to-day, with its accumulation, other than cash dividends, almost eighteen times the original \$50 tells in a few words the marvelous success of the corporation.

Mr. H. Walters, president of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad to-day, with a power vaster than that of any king, controls more than \$480,000,000 of securities.

ilies.

Here is the history of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad:
On February 25, 1834, the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad was chartered under the laws of Virginia, to operate between Richmond and Petersburg, There were draft issued, \$500,000 of stock at per and wards \$500,000 at fifty cent

Petersburg Road Chartered.

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On February 16, 1830, the Petersburg Railroad was chartered, under the Virginia laws, to operate between Petersburg and Weldon, N. C. There were issued \$1,000,000 of stock.
In 1898 the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad and the Petersburg Railroad were consolidated, under the name of the Atlantic Coast Line of Virginia, the new corporation taking the charter of the

was common, but later all the preferred stock was retired, and therefore this ar-

ticle will only deal with the common stock of the company. This is what the merged roads re-ceived in new stock for the old stock, Wilmington and Weldon; \$3,000,000 at two for one, making a total of \$5,000,000.
Atlantic Coast Line of South Carolina,

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## MANY IMMIGRANTS ON WAY TO THE SOUTH

Great Army Coming to America.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, April 18.—The Old Do-minion steamer Princess Anne left here "Consequently, a strict construction of the regulations would permit Admiral Rojectvensky's ships to remain in our ports even beyond twenty-four hours, so long as they do not engage in preparations for an act of war."

SITUATION IN FIELD.

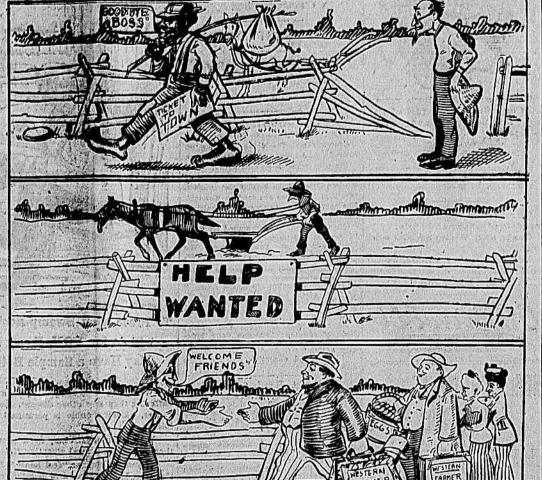
Russian Force Estimated to Number 200,000 Men—New Japanese Loan.

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, April 18—The Russian force concentrated along the Chang-Chung Kirin line and southward is cettmated in umber 200,000 men.

A final revision of the numbers of prisoner acaptured at Port Arthur shows the total to be 41600.

It is expected that subscriptions for the full domestic loan will be one hundred million yet (equivalent to about 450,000,000), and the conditions will be spinled to the full of the proposes to found a new Zion will follow on the south of Burope and explaining possibilities for the fourth domestic loan will be one hundred million yet (equivalent to about 450,000,000), and the conditions will be shill are to those of the fourth domestic loan. to-day for Norfolk crowded to its full



LABOR PROBLEM SOLVING ITSELF.

# TO KILL HIMSELF OPEN A PER

Bessie Dole, Meniber of Edna May's Company, Probably Fatally Injured by Actor.

### OPPOSED TO PROHIBITION WANTED TO LEAVE CHORUS

Decause It Is Contrary to Dem- Man Carried Out Threat to ocratic Principles and Cannot: Yet be Enforced.

the following letter to Rev James Cannon, Jr., president of the Virginia State Anti-Saloon League, in reply to a com Richmond, Va., April 18, 1905. James Cannon, Jr.,

Blackstone, Val of your open letter of March 14th. To

fact that very few judges in Virginia have construed this law allke.

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The "Mann bill" does not permit the aphicant an appeal to our Supreme Court; totherwise that court would have so construed the law as to make its operation uniform throughout the State.

I reiterate that I favor rigid control of the whiskey traffic. I am, however, opposed to prohibition; first, because the Democratic party and its policy have always been against sumptuary laws; second, because prohibition does not prohibit, third, because if prohibit and one prohibit, third, because if prohibit on the state regulate the traffic so as to minimize its evils and derive therefrom its proper revenue; fourth, I do not believe that public sentiment will sustain prohibition laws, and I am opposed to the existence of any law on our statute books which is not enforced. This condition will always obtain unless the law is supported by public sentiment.

Very truly yours.

tain unless the law is supported by pullife sentiment.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOS. E. WILLARD.

Mr. Cannon's letter to Captain Willard was a copy of one sent to all the candidates for the governorship and lieutenant-governorship. Up to this time Captain Willard is the only candidate who, so far as known, has answered Mr. Cannon's communication.

In a postscript to his open letter, Mr. Cannon wrots:

"A copy of this letter has been given to the press of the State for publication, and the replies of candidates for public office will also be printed for the information of voters."

## 196 WANTHELP TO-DAY.

The 19s advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Dispaton on page 10 are as follows:

5 Trades.

1 Domestic 111 Miscellaneous 3 Salesmen 4 Agents. 1 Office

This not only interests those out of work, but those desiring to in-grove their positions as well.

Richmond Association Holds Interesting Fifth Annual Session.

Shoot Her if She Tried to Go Elsewhere.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., April 18.—Because she intended leaving the theatrical Davis at a theatrical hotel, where they were both staying, inflicting a probably fatal wound near the heart, and then attempted to kill himself. The bullet

The couple were members of the chorus in "The Schoolgirl" company, of which Edna May is the star, The woman is known on the stage as Bessie Dale. She is twenty-three years old and her home is in Hebron, Neb. Smedes's home, it is believed, is in Vicksburg,

Injury Probably Fatal.

The shooting occurred shortly after noon. Other guests at the hotel heard a pistol shot, and immediately after Mis-Davis ran screaming down the stairs and fell unconscious into the arms of a servant. A policeman, who was passing the hotel, ran into the place, and when Smedes saw him he turned the weapon upon himself. The wounded couple were taken to a hospital, where it was found the young woman's injury is likely to (Continued on Third Page.)

# EXCELLENT REPORTS MADE Papers Read Last Night Indi-

cate What Has Been Accomplished.

The fifth annual meeting of the Richchanics Institute last night was well ating the splendid condition of this organlarge extent throughout the State.

promises even more for the future than has been achieved during the life of this-

rate seen accepted dang the fact of the fast-growing organization.

The Association gave an elequent endorsement of the efficiency and zealous work of its officers by re-electing them for another year and testified its appreciation of the splendid service of its former president, a pioneer in the work of the Association, Mrs. B. B. Valen-(Continued on Second Page.)

## FINED FOR CARRYING CIGARETTE PAPERS

Another Man, Arrested for Smoking, Will Test Constitutionality of New Law.

(By Associated Press.) MUNCIE, IND., April 17.-Chester Bell, MUNCIE, IND., April 17.—Chester Bell, a young man, was fined \$25 and costs, amounting in all to \$35, to-day in the Police Court on a charge of having cigarette papers in his pocket. This is the first penalty assessed in Indiana since the anti-cigarette bill became effective.

(By Associated Press.)

MADISON, IND., April 18.—As the result of the arrest of. John M. Lowis, of this city, and his being fined in a township court to-day, for smoking a cigarette, an appeal was taken to the Circuit Court, and if the lower court's decision is affirmed. Lowis will appeal to the Supreme Court for a test of the constitutionality of the law. Lewis was arrested by a constable for smoking a cigarette on the street and was fined \$5. Ollia McPhearson, a restaurant cierk, was also arrested while smoking and gave bond for \$25 in the city court.

Captain Willard Leaves.

Captain Joseph E. Willard left last night over the Norfalk and Western Railroad for the Southwest, where he will spend several days speaking and conferring with his friends. Mr. A. Randolph Holladay accompanied Cap-tain Willard.

# JEFFERSON STEADILY **BECOMING WEAKER**

Condition of Great Actor Critical-May Die at Any Moment.

(By Associated Press.)
WEST PALM BEACH, FLA., April 18-11 o'clock.-No change is reported in Mr. Jefferson's condition save that he is gradually growing weaker.

(By Associated Press.)

WEST PALM BEACH, FLA., April 18.—
10 P. M.—Joseph Jafferson's condition remains unchanged, except that he is gradually growing weaker. His trouble is a complication of diseases, from which he suffered less summer. His physicians regard his condition as critical in the extreme, and it would not be surprising if he should pass away at any moment, yet he may rally and live for days or even weeks. The veteran actor realises that his end is near, and looks forward to it without fear. All hope for his recovery has been abandoned by his family. For a number of years past Mr. Jefferson and ex-President Cleveland have spent a week or two of each year together fishing in Florida. It was on his return from one of these fishing trips that Mr. Jefferson's illness developed. He went to Hobe Sound about three weeks ago on his annual fishing outing, and returned about ten days ago to his home here slightly unwell. He had taken a severe cold. He improved for a

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# DEMONSTRATION

Governor Montague Addresses Big Crowd At Berkeley.

#### CRITICIZES SEVERELY COUNTY GOVERNM'T

Refutes the Claim of Opponents That There is No Fusion in Norfolk County-Speech Received With Enthusiasm and Applause.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., April 18.—Before an au lience that taxed the capacity of Pythian Castle, in Berkley, Governor Montague to-night denounced fusionism in Norunits and stamp it out. He declared his

folk county, and urged his hearest to units and stamp it out. He declared his one purpose for attending the meeting was to lend his sympathy as the Governor of the State to the fight the Straightout Democrate are making to gain control of affairs in the county, which he hoped would lend encouragement to them in the struggle.

The Governor's remarks were forcaful and pungent and were received with enthusiasm and unstituted applause. He said:

"I find no trouble in speaking when I stand in such a fight as this."

The meeting was held by the Democratic Executive Committee of Norfolk county for the purpose of expering and denouncing fusionism in county politics. Governor Montague was introduced by County Chairman George W. Jones, who presided over the meetings. The hall was packed long before the hour set for the speaking, many ladies being seated in the audience.

As Governor Montague entered the Custle the bend from the receiving ship Fearkling struck in Tixle," but the ova-

the band from the receiving ship nklin struck up "Dixle," but the ova-tendered the Governor drowned the draw of music and shouts of "Three

Governor a sympathy.

He began saying:

"If there are any white people in this Commonwealth, who have had my sympathy in the struggle for mastery, they are the Democrats of Norfolk county. I have regretted that you have had so little sympathy from the people of Virginia in your fight, but I believe that their failure to extend their sympathy has been through their failure to fully understand the conditions as they exist in county affairs. I am always for white supremacy."

management of the county's affairs,
"You want to elect supervisors who
will not have to be enjoined for overdrawing their salaries."

will not have to be enjoined for over-drawing their salaries."

Negro Voters.

"You have 1,500 negro voters registered on Norfolk county, and I believe they got on the books much easier than a great many of you white people."

"This is the hall in which you had that meeting some time back, and which was attended by many preachers and which was a steened by many preachers. And which was a steened by many preachers and which was as solenn as any Cromwellian Court and you came here to protest against the indignities to which you had been subjected under the present government and to units in throwing off, the burden that the negro vote thrust upon you. But you had to take a back seat as the black lines were drawn fast. There was no excitement at that meeting. Everyman of you could hear his heart beat for himself and for his neighbor's welfare."

Governor Montague referred to the recognition by the State Central Committee of the Straighfout Committee as the legitimate Executive Committee of Nor-folk county,

"In spite of this," he said, "a Democratic Legislature has over-riden that

legitimate Executive Committee of Norfolk country.

"In spite of this," he said, "a Democratic Legislature has over-ridden that
decision and seated two members elected
by the fusionists,"

Back of all, governments, you may
divide them into two classes, legitimate
government and illegitimate government,
Legitimate government is that form that
is administered for the people. The inlegitimate government is that which is
operated for those in the offices of power
to the injury of the people.

White Newsons

White Negroes.

White Negroes.

"My friends, I would on no black man under the sun any harm."

"It think more of a black negro that I do of a white negro," yelled a voice in the audience.

"There's a great deal of truth in that remark," said the Governor. "It has come about in this county that you good people are in a state of aixisty and uneasiness all the time in regard o both your personal and property rights. I submit to you it wish my voice was brong enough to impress Eipon the citzenghip of Virginia that that is the state of affairs that deserves the sympothy and the aid of every Democrat in the State.

"It think we leave a little too much power in the lands of the judiciary. I am at three departments of the government—the legislative, the judiciary and the executive senould be kept separate they expended they were there was no demonstration, no appliance, and that of his neighbor, I am safe in the authority of the province of Danville, which the citizens did not have there there is no have the citizens and that of his neighbor, I am safe in an at the city of Danville, which the citizens did not have there there is the citizens did not have the citizens

# DR. YOUNG BECLINES TO PREACH SERMON

Students Defending Dr. Taylor.

Rev. Dr. W. J. Young, pastor of Cenlenary Methodist Church, has written a letter to Dr. Christopher Tompkins, dean

# Offended at Action of Medical Said to be Advance Guard of